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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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M/S Non-Fee Amendments  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Commissioner:

This is a Response to the Office Action ("Office Action") dated May 16, 2007. This Response is filed within three months of the mailing date of the Office Action. Therefore, no fee is believed to be due. If any extension of time is required, please consider this a request therefor. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-1513.

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